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Dear Sir:

- 1) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, applicant encloses a Form PTO-1449 and copies of references AB and AC listed thereon.
- 2) This statement is being filed simultaneously with the above identified new patent application.
- 3) In view of the waiver of the requirement (see 1273 OG 55; August 5, 2003), no copy of US Patent Reference AA is enclosed.
- 4) Reference AA is in English. Reference AB corresponds to AA from which the relevance can be determined in English. Reference AC is accompanied by an English Abstract. References AA, AB, and

AC have been discussed at pages 3 and 12 of the present specification. Therefore no further discussion of the references is required.

- 5) Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider all references of record, return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and ensure that all references of record are printed on any patent issuing from this application.
- 6) Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1 to 12 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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